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1. I WISH TO CONVEY MY PERSONAL GRATITUDE TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR THE VERY SIGNIFICANT MANNER OF ACCOMPLISHMENT IN THE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE PROBLEM OF LOCATING AND RECOVERING MAJOR AIRCRAFT COMPONENTS FROM THE ACCIDENT OF ARTICLE 342.

2. THE SEARCH AND RECOVERY OF THESE AIRCRAFT COMPONENTS WAS ACCOMPLISHED UNDER EXTREMELY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS, AND THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED WERE CERTAINLY A CHALLENGE TO OVERCOME. THE FACT THAT THESE IMPORTANT PARTS WERE SUCCESSFULLY RECOVERED IN THE SHORT SPAN OF DAYS IS A COMMENDABLE FEAT, AND CAN BE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO YOUR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND THE INGENUITY AND PERSEVERANCE OF YOUR STAFF.

END OF MESSAGE

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JACK C. LEDFORD
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